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NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY TECHNOLOGY COMMERCIALISATION FUND
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched a Non-Conventional Energy Technology Commercialisation Fund (NCETCF) scheme in the recent past;

(b) if so, the objectives of this scheme;

(c) the number of non-conventional energy technologies, which have been commercialized by way of finance under the scheme during the last two years; and

(d) the total amount sanctioned and spent under the scheme ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI M. KANNAPPAN)

(a): Yes, Sir. The Ministry of Non-conventional Energy Sources (MNES) has launched a scheme on `Non-conventional Energy Technology Commercialisation Fund` during 2000-2001.

(b): The objectives of the scheme are
(i) to support the commercialisation of indigenously developed non-conventional energy (NCE) technologies by supporting the setting-up of pilot plants for the manufacture of NCE systems/products/devices for their widespread domestic use and
(ii) to develop the potential innovative products/technologies, which are in early stages of their life cycle and modification in foreign technologies to suit domestic as well as international market.

(c)&(d): No proposal received so far under the scheme has been found suitable for funding. However, solar cookers, solar water heating systems for domestic and industrial uses, solar dryers, solar photo-voltaic systems and biomass energy systems have been commercialized by providing fiscal and financial support under various other schemes of the MNES.